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To: Date: Commissioner Adelstein Sat, Apr 5, 2003 5:57 PM

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Stop Consolidation of Media Ownership

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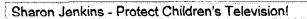
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